

**In the Claims:**

1. (Original) An animal feed comprising:
  - a fat, said fat being present in an amount effective to provide nutritive fat to an animal;
  - a solid nutritive source, and
  - a hemicellulose binder, said animal feed being in the form of discrete plural particles of a size suitable for feeding to an animal, said hemicellulose binder being present in each of said particles in at least an amount effective to improve intraparticle cohesion.
- 2 - 44 (Canceled).